106TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. RES. 25

Congratulating the Government of Peru and the Government of Ecuador for signing a peace agreement ending a border dispute which has resulted in several military clashes over the past 50 years.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

January 19, 1999

Mr. Gallegly submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

RESOLUTION

- Congratulating the Government of Peru and the Government of Ecuador for signing a peace agreement ending a border dispute which has resulted in several military clashes over the past 50 years.
- Whereas the Governments of Peru and Ecuador have been engaged in a serious border dispute dating as far back as Spanish colonial times;
- Whereas the Rio Protocol signed in 1942 between Peru and Ecuador, and guaranteed by 4 nations including the United States, failed to settle the dispute;
- Whereas Peru and Ecuador have gone to war 3 times over the border areas with the most recent clashes taking place in 1995 resulting in dozens of deaths on both sides; and

Whereas the Governments of Peru and Ecuador recently completed long and difficult negotiations and reached a final settlement of the dispute on October 26, 1998: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives—
- 2 (1) congratulates the Governments of Peru and 3 Ecuador for ending the border dispute between their 4 two countries which has been a source of armed con-5 flict for over 50 years;
 - (2) commends the Presidents of both nations for personally becoming involved in the negotiations and for reaching this historic agreement;
 - (3) recognizes the commitment of the Presidents of the guarantor nations of Argentina, Brazil, and Chile, along with the United States, in seeking a viable solution to the border dispute;
 - (4) urges both the Governments of Peru and Ecuador to honor the border settlement and to cooperate with each other in bringing peace, stability, and economic development to the troubled area; and
 - (5) reaffirms the commitment of the United States to support both governments in the implementation of the border agreement.

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